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Executive Committee, S. W. Denton, Wellesley; L. W. Swett, Lexington; P. G. Bolster, Boston.

Editor of Psyche, C. T. Brues, Boston.

Mr. S. W. Denton presided and thirty-two members and guests were present.

Prof. Robert Matheson, of Cornell University College of Agriculture, spoke on the three species of plant lice of apple trees, A phis*pomi*, A phis sorbi and  $A phis aven \alpha$ , their habits, and methods of controlling them.

Mr. S. W. Denton gave an interesting account of his experiences in buying and selling butterflies in America and England.

Mr. A. F. Burgess, secretary of the Association of Economic Entomologists, spoke of the meetings of that society and of the Entomological Society of America at St. Louis.

## ENTOMOLOGICAL NOTES FROM THE MUSEUM OF COMPARATIVE ZOOLOGY.

Several families of Neuroptera have recently been rearranged in new drawers. The largest of these, the Myrmeleonidæ, occupies 54 drawers and includes 2,395 specimens representing 309 named species, among which are 125 types.

Several lots of small neuropteroid insects have been obtained from Mr. Parish, collected on his Amazon trip.

In mounting a collection of insects from Anticosti Island a specimen of Ornithomyia was found to which were attached two specimens of Mallophaga, one on each side near the tip of the abdomen of the fly. This is doubtless one method of distribution of the parasites.

Mr. Dawson of the University of Nebraska spent the Christmas holidays at the museum studying Serica; Mr. Strickland of the Canadian Entomological Branch at Ottawa spent several weeks studying the collections of Acarina and Psocidæ, and Mr. Leonard of the Cornell University Agricultural College was at the museum in January to study the types of Leptidæ.